12/10/22 [Allunit] Sign the Petition Now

Dear colleagues:

Thanks to everyone who attended the MSP General Assembly yesterday, and special thanks to our staff, Emily and Lori, for making it a lovely and productive gathering.

We want to apologize to MSP members who were told there was not space at the meeting. Based on the responses to our original invitation, we reserved a space that holds 100 people. In the past few days, after more than 125 people responded, we had to close registration. We are sorry if you were not able to attend, and we'll have more meetings in the spring that will include everyone!

The <u>MSP website</u> will include three things that we discussed at the meeting:

- Slides about the campaign for better salary parameters
- A spreadsheet that allows you to check your raises (that you received today) and the amount of retroactive pay you will receive on 12/23
- A flyer about the petition that we are circulating for raises to meet the cost of living (also attached).

Here is the link to the petition: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/xEYSgFe9h6</u>.

PLEASE sign the petition now! Please circulate it among your colleagues, staff, and graduate students. All UMass employees should sign on – we will present this petition to our new Governor as part of the campaign to use the Fair Share funds to fully fund public higher education and to fairly compensate the people who make UMass great.

In solidarity, Eve and Marc